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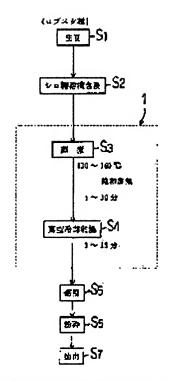
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## (54) MODIFICATION OF COFFEE BEAN

## (57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To modify the quality of low-quality coffee beans such as of lobster variety to higher-quality ones such as of arabica variety, and to further modify such higher-quality coffee beans to further higher-quality ones by diminishing offensive acidity inherent in the coffee beans of arabica variety. SOLUTION: This method for modifying coffee beans comprises the following steps: coffee raw beans are soaked in and fully impregnated with a sucrose solution; the raw beans thus impregnated are steamed with saturated steam at 130-160°C for 5-30 min in a boiler; the raw beans thus steamed are subjected to vacuum cool drying for 5-15 min and then roasted to obtain the objective high-quality coffee beans of excellent flavor.



Another version of this method comprises the following steps: raw beans are roasted, then steamed with saturated steam and then subjected to vacuum cool drying under the same conditions as described above to obtain the objective high-quality coffee beans of excellent flavor. The above method is also applicable to coffee beans of arabica variety, thereby

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diminishing offensive acidity inherent in such coffee beans and improving them to higherquality ones.

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